GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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INVESTIGATION AGAINST OFFICERS OF IT
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether investigations against Chief Commissioner and Commissioners of Income Tax Department have been completed;

(b) if so, whether the Government have reviewed all the cases extensively and have forwarded these cases to Central Vigilance Commission for legal advice;

(c) if so, the advice given by the Central Vigilance Commission in this regard ; and

(d) action taken by the Government against those officers?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) In the initial reply to Question No.3385 dated 20.8.2004, it was reported that in 11 cases, the complaint against the officers of the rank of Chief Commissioners and Commissioners of Income Tax were taken up for investigation. Out of these eleven cases, investigation reports in respect of eight of these cases have been received, investigation in respect of three of these cases have not been received so far.

(b) In the eight cases, where investigation reports have been received, four cases stand referred to the Central Vigilance Commission and in one case, reference is being made to the Central Vigilance Commission for closure of the complaint. In three cases, investigation reports are under examination.

(c)& (d): Reference to the Central Vigilance Commission was made in four cases. After receiving the advice of the Central Vigilance Commission, in one case major penalty proceedings under the CCA(CCS) Rules, 1965 have been initiated against the officer. In another case, further investigation is being carried out. In two cases, the files have been closed after obtaining the concurrence of the Central Vigilance Commissionâ€"of these two, in one case the Central Vigilance Commission has advised issuing of administrative warning to the officer and accordingly a warning has been issued to the officer.